State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held August 6, 2002

Attendees: Chairman Elia Germani, Commissioner Kate Racine, Commissioner Brenda Gaynor, Steve Frias, Cindy Wilson, Thomas Massaro, Alan Nault and Luly Massaro.

Chairman Germani called the open meeting to order at 9:30 AM in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission. A quorum was present.

Competitive Telecommunications Service Providers:

The following companies registered for authority to operate as telecommunications service providers in RI. The Division has reviewed the registrations and recommends approval of:

3449 - NOW Communications, Inc.

3448 - Telecon Communications, Inc.

After review, Chairman Germani asked for a motion and Commissioner Racine moved to approve the registrations. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

The following companies submitted tariff revisions. The Division has reviewed the tariff filings and does not recommend suspension of:

3443 - Winstar Communications, LLC

3435 - Granite Telecommunications, LLC

3013 - DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications

2702 - Verizon Select Services, Inc.

2472 - Sprint Communications

2426 - TCG Rhode Island

2262(C2) - GE Capital Communications Services Corp.

2262(F16) - Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Long Distance After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation that the tariff filings be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

3195 - Verizon RI: This docket relates to Verizon's Carrier-to-Carrier Guidelines. Commissioner Gaynor moved to accept Verizon's proposed modifications filed on May 29, 2002. She noted that these modifications are based on the changes ordered by the NYPSC on November 29, 2001 and became effective on May 6, 2002. Verizon filed these changes in compliance with the Commission's order. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Racine and unanimously passed. Vote 3-0. The Commission agreed that the modifications provide improved metrics and more accurate measurement of Verizon's performance.

The open meeting adjourned at 9:40 A.M.